a food product disposed within said receptacle, below said outer rim;

a baking shield movable from a storage position at the bottom of the receptacle to an installed position atop the receptacle, said baking shield having a downwardly facing concave annular body with an outwardly extending rim overlying said receptacle rim when in the installed position, said annular body having an inner free edge below said receptacle rim and defining a central opening when in the installed position;

the baking shield stored at the bottom of the receptacle; and

a shipping carton surrounding the receptacle and the baking shield.

Please amend claim 5 as follows:

5. (Amended) The kit of claim 1 wherein the baking shield is stored at the bottom of the receptacle in a position inverted from the installed position.

Please amend claim 12 as follows:

12. (Amended) A packaging kit for shipping baking utensils, comprising:

a frustoconical receptacle having a bottom defining an annular recess, an open top, and an outer rim at the open top;

a baking shield movable from a storage position at the bottom of the receptacle to an installed position atop the receptacle, said baking shield having a frustoconical sidewall with upper and lower ends, an inwardly extending top wall having an inner edge with a bead defining a central opening and an outwardly extending rim overlying said receptacle rim when in the installed position;

the bottom of the receptacle nested in the baking shield, with the bead received in the annular recess when the baking shield is in the storage position, so as to cooperate with a shipping carton to maintain the baking shield in a controlled position during shipping;

the baking shield stored at the bottom of the receptacle; and

a shipping carton surrounding the receptacle and the baking shield.

Please amend claim 14 as follows:

14. (Amended) The kit of claim 12 wherein the baking shield is stored at the bottom of the receptacle in a position inverted from the installed position.